

A.S. Council To Finance Blues Band, Dance Troupe

By VANESSA FINAN
Crown Editor

Paul Butterfield and His Better Days Blues Band and a professional modern dance troupe have been voted \$3,800 worth of support by the Associated Students Executive Council, and are tentatively scheduled to perform on campus during the months of March and April.

The council voted to finance Butterfield's band with \$3,600 of budget monies. Comedienne Lily Tomlin and rock group Ballin' Jack, were among the contenders for this activity.

Debate discussion was held concerning the individual merits of the suggested groups, outcome of attendance and whether the activity would support itself financially. Eric

Thompson stressed, "Our premise of course is not to make money but to supply something for students."

'Big Name' Wanted

Securing a "big name" attraction was emphasized by David Churchill, commissioner of campus improvements, in order to secure a large student turnout. Vice-President Alex Hampton assured council members that Butterfield's group qualified in the "big name" category.

A transfer of \$200 from the Speakers Series budget was approved by the council to be used for dance and entertainment expense in hopes of hosting a modern dance concert which is tentatively scheduled for March 8, at 8 p.m. in Monarch Hall.

Ralph Griffin, evening division

commissioner, said he is currently organizing two possible activities for the evening students. One would be a band which would produce songs reminiscent of the late 50's and early 60's era. Another activity would be the appearance of a celebrity. No specific suggestions were offered at the meeting.

Figure Estimated

Thompson stated a figure of 49.3 percent as being representative of the amount of paid I.D. holders on campus. "We really need some more I.D. cards or else we're in trouble," said Thompson. Council's Push I.D.'s Committee currently have operations booths on campus to promote involvement through purchasing I.D. cards.

Hampton secured IOC's support and assured the council active participation from that group in the form of helping man the booths and their operations. IOC also plans to promote ID sales during the Feb. 28 Club Day, by hosting a booth there.

The movie "Diary of a Mad Housewife," was voted \$200 financial support and will contribute to International Women's Week which will be held March 4-8.

A short question and answer session is to be held in the future for the benefit of the press. Questions can be asked of council members to clarify council transactions that were either inaudible at the time of their presentation or misinterpreted by the reporters.

Committee Forms

An Ombudsman Committee is in existence and will be manned by four students. Ombudsman Committee member Brian Dennis said, "The Ombudsman Committee is for anybody in the school who has problems in school and can't take care of them himself." Projected goals of the committee include serving as a liaison for students between members of the faculty and Executive Council.



TAKING A BREAK from council business, student council members Mark Van Proyen, Lester Sloane, and Karen Bird scan the contents of Sceptre Magazine.

The latest issue of Sceptre will be available to evening students only in the Library, Administration Building, Business Office, CC100, and BJ114.

Valley Star Photo by Stephen Jacobson

Unique Outreach Program Takes Law Class to Veterans Hospital

By ELLEN SCHANTZ
News Editor

Valley College Veterans Counselor and Coordinator John Barnhart has implemented a program, unique in the Community College District, to bring college classes to veterans unable to attend the regular sessions.

During the past two weeks, Barnhart has enrolled 35 students in a course entitled "Law for the California Layman" to be taught at Sepulveda Veterans Hospital.

Opened to in- and out-patients and personnel at the hospital, the course will be presented on video-cassette, which students may play at leisure on an existing television monitor at the hospital.

Robert T. Bertholdo, professor of law, will be at the hospital one afternoon each week to answer questions. Enrollment in the class is still open to qualified persons who contact Barnhart.

Barnhart said the idea for this

"outreach program" was his own, but Dave Moody, supervisor of the Study Skills Center, "helped put it together." Barnhart also indicated that more classes will be added in the fall.

Program Funded

He further explained that this pilot program is funded under the Veterans Cost of Incentive Program. A recent grant to the Los Angeles Community College District has made this program possible. The grant is the direct result of an increase in the veteran enrollment at the community colleges.

At Valley, the veteran population numbers nearly 4,200 and includes approximately 80 women. This reflects a 10 percent increase over the past year—an increase described by Barnhart as "enormous compared with most schools."

Despite this enormity, Barnhart's office takes pride in offering personalized service and counseling to anyone needing it.

Performance Improved

With all their financial pressures, veterans perform better academically than other college students because they are more "conscientious," said Barnhart.

"They realize what they have missed," Barnhart said. "They turn to business and pre-law studies because they know the facts of life and want to be able to get a job."

Serving in his present job for five years, Barnhart formerly taught geology at Valley until Veterans in his classes elected him Veterans Club sponsor. He was subsequently offered the post as counselor because of his experience with veterans.

Counselors Assist Vets With Problems

By MIKE STEIN
Staff Writer

Los Angeles County has organized a Veterans Outreach Program this semester at Valley for veterans needing assistance in readjustment to civilian life.

Operating as a separate entity from the existing Veterans Office, Outreach will handle extensive problems that veterans may have.

Robert Wasdorp and Mike Butler, students at Valley, are employed as counselors by the county to assist veterans in many facets, including employment (separate from the Placement Office), housing, medical and dental insurance, disability, and other veteran related benefits.

"There were times when Outreach gave clothing, shoes, and even overnight accommodations," said Harry Romero, founder of the program.

This is the first semester for this program, which has six months to prove itself.

UCLA, Pierce College, and CSU Northridge are a few of the local colleges experimenting with Veterans Outreach.

"Veterans Outreach Program is an excellent opportunity for service in many facets of readjustments in civilian life," said John Barnhart, coordinator of veterans affairs on campus.

Butler and Wasdorp are available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Their office is temporarily located in the Veterans Office in the Administration Building, extension 423 or 424.

Veterans do not have to attend school to receive counseling, as the program's purpose is to assist any veteran.

Hillel Council To Celebrate Fiftieth Year

Hillel Council, the union of Jewish students on campus, will commemorate its twelfth year at Valley today by planting a "Tree of Life." The tree will be planted in the grassy area north of the Music Building, near the corner of Fulton Avenue and Oxford Street.

Hillel, which is also celebrating its fiftieth anniversary as a worldwide organization, has led or participated in activities of the Jewish community such as this one, scheduled for 11 a.m. today.

Guest speakers will include the following: Dr. Robert Horton, president of Valley College; Rabbi Henry Rabin, director of Hillel Council in Los Angeles; and Duke Koltnow, head gardener at Valley.

Other guests are William Lewis, dean of students; Rabbi Moshe Adler from Hillel Lounge who is directing the program, and Zev Garber, professor of Hebrew Studies. Other members of the Jewish community, including Ami Gordon, commissioner of Jewish Ethnic Studies, and Debbie Adler, president of Hillel Council, will be present.

Council Makes Push To Up Paid ID Sales—Toughening Parking Regulations Urged

By MICHAEL A. PALLADINO
and DANIEL STRICKLAND

The Associated Students Council and the Inter-Organizational Council are mounting a concerted effort to increase sales of paid ID cards for this semester.

Different approaches to the problem are being studied by the ID Promotion Committee. Paid ID card sales to date are only 48 percent, about 5 percent lower than the same time last semester. ID cards are the major source of revenue for the Associated Students Organization which uses the

money to sponsor various activities on campus.

Various student leaders expressed concern over the lagging sales. Alex Hampton, A.S. vice-president and chair of IOC said, "We need to have at least 60 percent of all students purchase ID cards in order to operate in the black. 'Without student support, we will not be able to offer such benefits as free concerts, noted speakers, and other activities paid for from the A.S. budget.'"

"The bigger the pie, the bigger the slice everyone receives," said Associ-

ated Mens Students President Jim Wench. "The more people contributing, the more benefits for all. Our job is to show the students that it doesn't cost, it pays to own a paid ID card."

At a meeting of the ID Promotion Committee last week, Eric Thompson, A.S. president, spoke in favor of increasing the pressure on full-time students who do not pay the optional \$10 fee. (Five dollars for those students carrying eight units or less.)

"We have tried the positive approach, Thompson said. 'We have tried to show the students the eventual savings: free or reduced admissions to many campus events, five percent discount in the Bookstore, etc. At this point, I think pressure would push sales up.'"

In an effort to persuade students to purchase ID cards, A.S. Council has asked campus security to strictly enforce parking regulations.

Measure Needed

"I do not condone the ticketing of automobiles," said Vice-President Hampton, "but this measure is necessary." He stated that parking enforcement was not spurred solely by the need for funds. Many complaints have been voiced by students with paid ID cards who could not find parking spaces in campus parking lots.

"The A.S. Council has an obligation to fulfill student needs, said Hampton, "but we cannot do anything without money."

Speaking in favor of a positive approach, Bruno Cicotti, coordinator of student activities, suggested an increase in publicity, emphasizing the advantages of having a paid ID.

"People like a bargain, Cicotti said, "show students how much money they will actually save by attending all the events that are free with a paid ID." IOC representative and ID Promotion Committee member Andy Tauber was quick to disagree with Cicotti.

'Big Rip-Off'

"People who don't purchase their ID cards are ripping off the rest of us," said Tauber. He was referring primarily to the parking situation. A parking sticker, issued free with a paid ID, is required in almost all of the various lots. Illegal parking can result in being ticketed by campus police.

The committee made no final recommendations.

Valley Star Receives Sixth CNPA Award

For the sixth time in nine years, the Valley Star has been awarded first place for general excellence by the California Newspaper Publishers Association (CNPA). The award was presented to Gregory J. Wilcox, editor-in-chief, by Lieutenant Governor Ed Reinecke during the CNPA convention at the Century Plaza Hotel last weekend.

Basing their selection on three consecutive issues of last year, the judges awarded the Star first place for several reasons. They praised the Star for being close to the students, doing a comprehensive job on enterprise stories, writing thoughtful editorials and sharp leads, and for their willingness to follow up their stories.

Edward A. Irwin, associate professor of journalism, had other reasons for the Star's success.

"We had an outstanding staff last year," said Irwin. "We had students who were willing to put in a lot of time and who were willing to dig for their news."

The staff for last year's Star were Clyde Weiss, editor-in-chief; Chris Preimesberger, advertising director; Diane Grosskopf, managing editor; Lew Snow, city editor; William Allen Yuden, news editor; Marc Littman, associate news editor; George L. Phillips and Larry Allen, sports editors; Mike Zugsmith, fine arts editor; Vanessa Finan, associate fine arts editor; Lynda Kudelko, club editor; Pam Koontz and Ursula Pearson, copy editors; Steve Dubany, chief photographer; Jimi Delaney, assistant chief photographer; and Steven Butz, cartoonist.

Staff writers included Tony Allen, Janice Fidelman, Aparicio Gil, Susan Hand, Mike Hochberg, Gary North, Skip Portilla, Susan Reckon, John Reid, Cindy Skolnik, Mollie Stewart, Sandy Tuchinski, and Wm. L. Crawford.

Delegates from Valley attending the convention were Wilcox, Ms. Finan, photographers Peter Brandt and Robert Lachman, City Editor Crawford, and Managing Editor Dale Pink. Advisers for the Valley Star are Leo Garapedian (department chairman), Roger Graham, Irwin, Henry Lalane, and William Payden.

Question, Answer Period Disrupted

Student Denounces Impeachment Rally Speakers

By STAN SPERLING
Copy Editor

A question and answer period during last week's impeachment rally was interrupted when a student went on stage and accused John T. McTernan, Los Angeles attorney, and Marvin Schacter, president of the Southern California chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), of not presenting any facts.

However, Schacter assured the stu-

dent that everything presented during the rally was fact. Another member of the audience accused the student of not paying attention to the Watergate hearings.

McTernan cited several reasons why President Nixon should be impeached. A major reason is that fundamental rights of the people have been interfered with by the Nixon administration, McTernan said. He elaborated on this position by ex-

plaining the purpose of the Watergate break-in.

"The purpose of the Watergate break-in was to make sure that the least-eligible candidate ran against Mr. Nixon," said McTernan. "This practice denied the Democrats the right to select their own candidate."

Another major ground for impeachment is the calling of Judge Matt Byrne to Washington during the Pentagon papers trial, McTernan

explained. He stated that Mr. Nixon called Byrne to Washington during the trial to offer him a job. McTernan labeled this practice as a form of bribery and as an "utter disgrace."

Relating to the Watergate cover-up, McTernan explained that Mr. Nixon knew about the cover-up because of his daily visits with John Mitchell, former attorney general, and with his former aides, John Ehrlichman and H. R. Haldeman. In addition, all three men pledged that Mr. Nixon would disclose all facts regarding Watergate, but he has refused to do so, McTernan stated.

McTernan explained that other impeachable offenses against Mr. Nixon are the enemies list and the secret bombing of Indochina against the people's wishes.

Agnew Speech Cited

To illustrate Mr. Nixon's strained relationship with the media, McTernan cited a speech made by former Vice-President Spiro Agnew in Des Moines, Iowa. In the speech, Agnew accused the media of expressing their hostility toward the Nixon administration. He added that any phase of the media which expresses hostility toward Mr. Nixon should lose their license.

At the beginning of the rally, Marvin Schacter, president of the Southern California chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), cited a poll taken by the ACLU regarding people's attitudes toward impeachment. However, Schacter explained that 37 percent of those polled believed that impeachment meant removing an official from office, while 11 percent had no knowledge of the impeachment process. The impeachment process was then explained to these people.

On the question of whether Mr. Nixon should be impeached, the results were equally divided. Of the

people opposed to impeachment, only 11 percent believed that there were no charges against Mr. Nixon.

To indicate attitudes of corporate executives regarding impeachment, Schacter cited a poll which appeared in Business Week. The poll indicated that about half of the corporate executives who voted for Mr. Nixon want him to resign for the good of the country.

During his remarks, Schacter accused several politicians of not working actively for impeachment. Schacter especially directed his criticism at Congressman James Corman (D-22nd district).

"Several weeks ago, Congressman Corman stated that he would support a resolution of impeachment," said Schacter. "However, he has not committed himself to work actively for impeachment."

Democracy Strengthened

Schacter emphasized during his speech that impeachment proceedings would strengthen, not weaken, democracy. The same opinion was shared by McTernan.

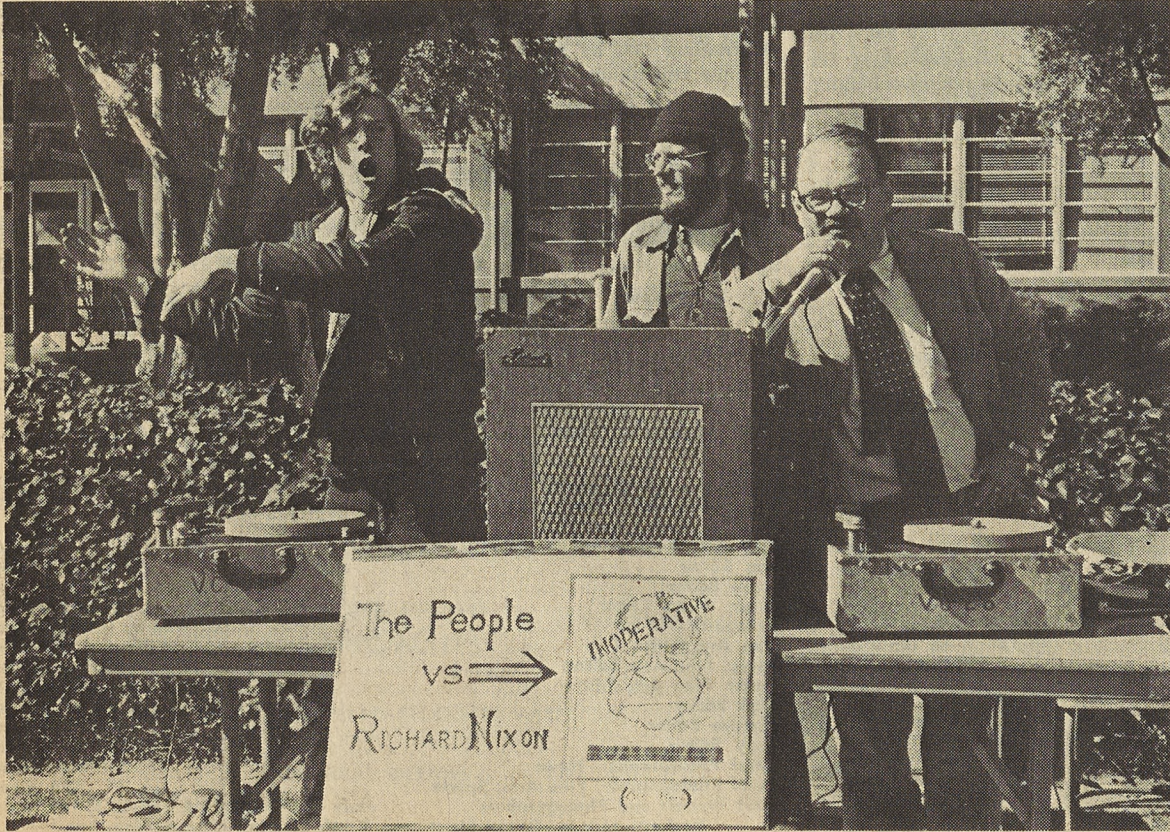
Schacter concluded his remarks in an "optimistic" mood.

"There is one thing that we can count on Mr. Nixon for," said Schacter. "We can count on Mr. Nixon for a new confrontation each and every week."

Letter Writing Urged

The only question asked during the question and answer period related to what students may do regarding impeachment. Schacter urged the audience to write letters to the Judiciary Committee, to their congressmen, and to newspapers to indicate their desire for impeachment.

Before the rally, Phil Spano, president of the Big Umbrella, urged the audience to join the San Fernando Valley Impeachment Committee to Washington.



VALLEY COLLEGE STUDENT Jim Maksimuk complains that Nixon impeachment rally speakers Marvin Schacter, president of Southern California chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, and John T. McTernan, Los Angeles attorney, did not present the facts.

Valley Star Photo by Peter Brandt

College News Briefs

Prof. Discusses Imagery

Dr. Irene Eber, professor and expert on Chinese history, Hebrew University, and Jerusalem, will be on campus Tuesday, Feb. 26, at 11 a.m. in FL113 to talk on the subject of "A Small and Oppressed People: Images of Jews and Zion in Chinese Language and Literature."

Vets Seek Benefits

In support of current Congressional efforts veterans are requested to sign a petition for increased VA educational benefits. The petition may be signed between 11-12, Monday-Friday, outside the Veterans Office in the Administration building.

Application Deadline Tomorrow

Applications for A.S. scholarships and grants must be turned in by tomorrow. Minimum qualifications to apply for scholarships are 12 units completed and enrolled in 12 units, a 3.0 GPA, and participation in some school activities. Unit and activity qualifications are the same for grant applications, but they must have a 2.0 GPA and evidence of financial need.

Italian Film Tonight

The classic of Italian neo-realistic films, "The Bicycle Thief," will be shown in Monarch Hall Thursday, Feb. 21, at 8 p.m. This Italian masterpiece is by Vittorio DeSica. Admission is \$1 and tickets are available in advance at the Business Office or at the door.

Grad Petition Due Tomorrow

The last day to file petition for graduation as of June 14 is tomorrow at 4 p.m. Petitions are available in the Administration building at the information center.

The Valley Star's position on issues is discussed only in the editorials presented on this page and are the viewpoint of the Editorial Board. Columns and the staff cartoons on this page are the opinion of the staff members alone and are not necessarily the opinion of the Star.

STAR EDITORIALS

Marijuana Laws Need Reforming

The Marijuana Reform League is circulating a petition to put the "Decriminalization of Marijuana Act of 1974" on the November ballot.

Similar to Proposition 19, which was defeated on the November 1972 ballot, the Decriminalization of Marijuana Act (DMA '74) states "no person 18 years or older shall be punished criminally or denied any right or privilege because of his private use, possession, cultivation, or transportation for personal use, of marijuana."

DMA '74, if passed, would end criminal prosecution of an individual found possessing marijuana, but would not legalize marijuana. The National Commission on Marijuana and Drug Abuse, advising the Reform League, did not advocate legalization because they do not favor the commercial sale of marijuana.

A provision of DMA '74, inserted to combat a criticism of "no government control" in the '72 initiative, will allow local government to legislate the smoking of marijuana in public a finable offense, with up to \$100 penalty possible. This is almost identical to the existing legislation which prohibits the consumption of alcoholic beverages in public.

To those wary of supporting DMA '74 due to the medical effects of marijuana, Star would like to point out that the Third Annual Report to Congress on Marijuana and Health by the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare stated, "Long-term marijuana use causes no physical or psychological harm." President Nixon's National Commission on Marijuana and Drug Abuse stated, "The actual potential harm of marijuana is not great enough to justify intrusion by the criminal law into private behavior."

Supportive arguments for DMA '74 do not focus primarily on the medical aspects of marijuana use, but on the need to cure the inhumane social ill of the current legal practice of making people criminals for their per-

sonal behavior. A decision on decriminalization pertains to one's philosophy concerning individual freedom, not one's personal preference to smoke or not to smoke marijuana.

The National Advisory Commission on Criminal Justice, Standards, and Goals has issued a report advocating the removal of criminal penalties against most victimless crimes, including marijuana possession and use.

Last year California taxpayers spent \$100 million to arrest, prosecute, try and "rehabilitate" 75,000 harmless marijuana users. It is impossible to measure the human suffering imposed upon these people.

For example, because they are deemed "morally suspect" by the government, these people are unable to obtain a security clearance, which is needed to teach, practice medicine, or hold a government job. They are thus being denied the right to employment.

The surveys of President Nixon's National Commission conservatively indicate that more than 40 percent of Californians between the ages of 18 and 26 have tried marijuana. Under the present law, all of them could go to jail.

The American Bar Association proposed the total removal of criminal laws against marijuana possession in small amounts last October. Concurrently, a statewide public opinion survey completed by the Field Research Corp. for the Los Angeles Times found that 51 percent of the public favors at least easing the present legal penalties against marijuana.

The Marijuana Reform League has approximately 260,000 signatures on the petition, but 200,000 more are needed to place DMA '74 on the November ballot.

Star urges support for the petition, and stresses the need for the social reform that DMA '74 would provide. Increased personal freedom will come with the abolishment of one more victimless crime: smoking marijuana.

Individual Tax Contributions Urged

The American public is disturbed by the recently exposed but traditional practice of candidates being influenced by special interest groups: oil companies, the dairy industry, unions, and other monied groups. In 1972, the public had the rare opportunity to snatch power from these influential groups. However, they did not exercise this option.

In that year, 75,806,367 individual income tax returns were filed, according to the Internal Revenue Service. At the bottom of each form was a space earmarked for voluntary contributions to one's political party.

Such contributions would have entailed the sacrifice of only a few beers or a couple packs of cigarettes per person. However, only 3.1 percent of those filing seemed convinced that honesty in government is worth a dollar per year.

Candidates need money to be elected — even to be defeated. If the people won't supply financial support, candidates must look to other sources or abandon aspirations to public office. That is a political fact of life.

Again it is time for Americans to comply with the 16th Amendment. However, they can no longer specify which party is to get their contribution.

An amendment sponsored by Hubert Humphrey (D-Minn.) requires that all funds be divided between Democrats and Republicans. Taxpayers who marked a preference on their 1972 returns will have their designation nullified.

Despite this change, the IRS has noted that, among the 1973 returns filed thusfar, 13 percent have authorized a contribution to the presidential campaign fund.

In 1968, the GOP spent \$26.6 million to elect Richard Nixon. The Democrats spent \$12.6 million to see their candidate defeated.

The IRS expects nearly 77 million returns for 1973. If each of these designated \$1 (more than half are joint returns representing \$2), the presidential campaign fund would double the amount spent by both major parties in 1968.

By 1976, the fund would be monumental. There would be no need for candidates to accept contributions with strings attached; and, if money talks, the people would have greater influence than special interest groups.

Therefore, if you are concerned about the current state of campaign financing the Star suggests you indicate this concern on your tax return.

FEATURE THIS

Police Visit Valley on Recruitment Mission

By JANET SVENDSEN
Feature Editor

Current trends in thought toward the field of law enforcement seem to regard it as a chauvinistic and internally-corrupt system, sorely in need of change. Perhaps this is partly due to a recent rash of literature and movies depicting unsound practices in the police force.

In a strong rebuttal to these attitudes, Pat Fogerson of the Los Angeles Police Department said, "There is no corruption within the LAPD. If any is suspected, the Internal Affairs Department investigates cases of bad conduct. Where honesty and integrity are concerned, police officers have to be like snow-white doves . . . or angels."

Recruitment Mission

Ms. Fogerson, 29, came to the Valley campus last Thursday on a recruitment mission with Dennis Blumhoff, 28, who is also a LAPD police officer. Both set up an information stand near the Placement Office, where they could answer prospective recruits' questions about career opportunities in the LAPD.

"We in the LAPD are involved with people," said Blumhoff, who has been a police officer for six years. "Many people complain about police and say that they aren't doing enough to maintain law and order," he said. "If they feel that way, they should join the police force and do something effective."

Ms. Fogerson gave a more timely

incentive for joining the police force or vindicating it for suspected chauvinistic practices.

"Law enforcement has emerged as a broad new field for women," she said. "Women who fulfill the initial physical and age requirements of the

LAPD are expected to go through exactly the same training program as the men do."

The soft-spoken, attractive, and liberated Ms. Fogerson looks more like a kindergarten teacher than a policewoman who is proficient in

shooting and self-defense. Her duties in the LAPD have included work in vice, juvenile crime, internal affairs, jail, and youth services.

"I prefer to work investigation," she said, recounting the time she worked on an undercover case involving pornography in Hollywood in which she had to disguise her LAPD affiliation by wearing sandals and bell-bottoms.

"I also enjoy doing recruitment work," she added.

Bloemhoff, who has worked as a patrol officer, said that the job's enticements are similar to the situations portrayed in the television series "Adam 12."

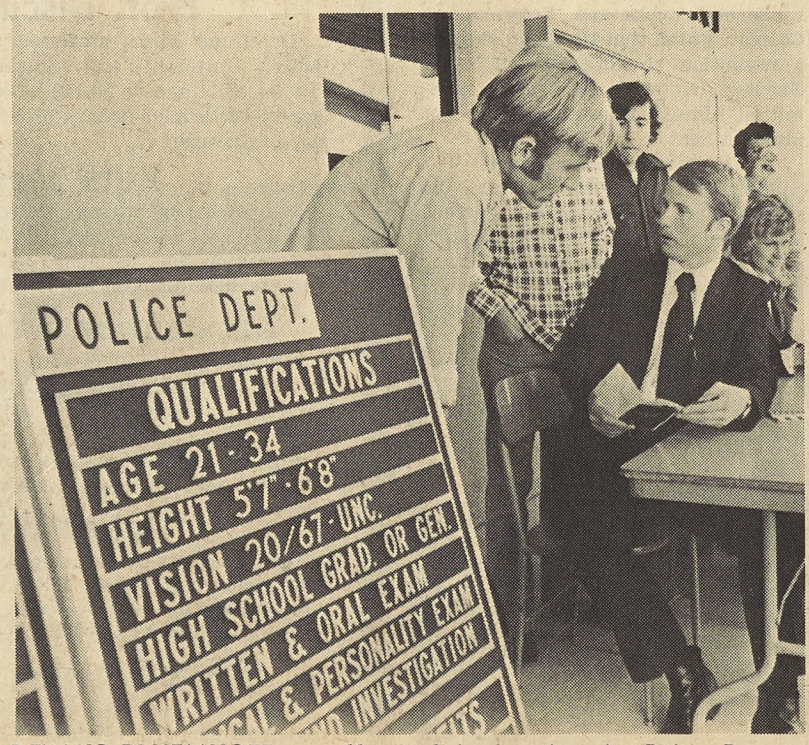
"When you're on patrol, anything from a minor disturbance to a shooting can come up . . . you're frequently called upon to deal with dangerous people."

Inquiries Made

In a final pitch to women thinking of careers in law enforcement, Ms. Fogerson pointed out two facts.

"First," she said, "there are only about 150 female police in the LAPD compared to approximately 7,200 males. Second, a woman can now move up in rank to that of chief of police, whereas once she could only move up to the rank of sergeant."

Looking downward, Ms. Fogerson said, "There has never been a female police chief in the LAPD." Suddenly she raised her head and exclaimed, "Maybe I'll be the first!"



DENNIS BLUMHOFF, an officer of the Los Angeles Police Department, answers questions asked by Mickiel Harwell, student, about career opportunities on the police force. Valley Star Photo by Peter Brandt



"Guess who let Mary Jane fly him?"

Marijuana Use Deemed as 'Scurvy Habit,' Counter-Opinion Recommends Legalization

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Since the National Commission on Marijuana and Drug Abuse reported that marijuana must be considered in the same category with liquor and cigarettes, many people have been clamoring for a legal right to get "stoned."

Some accept this decision as gospel truth. After all, the commission investigated for two years and spent \$4 million on everything but medical research. Perhaps the commission was so infallible that its word could suffice for scientific fact.

In its contention that marijuana is as "harmless" as drinking, the commission failed to say how much drinking. A few highballs, a fifth, a month-long drunk? No one knows for sure. That's what the commission should have spent its money to learn.

A recent survey in "America" reported that 85,000 fatalities each year and more than 50 percent of all other accidents in the United States are related to alcohol abuse. Marijuana shouldn't cause any more accidents than this—an excellent recommendation if you don't mind a violent death.

In 1969 a Congressional investigation showed that cigarettes cost the country \$14 billion a year in bodily and property damage. It's comforting to know that lethargy and personal negligence (two known effects of marijuana smoking) won't be any more damaging.

The U.S. Surgeon General has reported that 55,000 of 69,000 yearly deaths from lung cancer are caused by cigarettes and that smoking attacks the central nervous system. Marijuana may not cause any more

physical suffering than that.

In short, the public faces a dilemma comparable to that of a man selecting death by electrocution or hanging. Whatever he chooses, he will be irreparably dead.

Everyone who tries marijuana is not an addict. However, the Columbia University School of Public Health reported in 1972 that marijuana users have tried amphetamines (91 percent), barbiturates (82 percent), LSD (62 percent), and heroin (11 percent). Four out of five heroin users began their exploration of drugs with marijuana.

What a wonderful possibility! You can't tell how far you will go until you get started.

After all, Americans have messed up their lives with tranquilizers, liquor, and cigarettes and adjusted to resulting tragedy. They might as well make room for one more scurvy habit.

However, Americans should not be foolish enough to believe that their votes can determine what is true or false, right or wrong. Popularity cannot alter the effects of any drug.

Cigarettes, alcohol, and marijuana are not necessities for life. Anyone who genuinely feels he cannot go on without these things needs a psychiatrist not a crutch.

But Americans still clamor for their rights to drink, to smoke, to divorce, to abort, to strike, to demonstrate, and to legalize marijuana regardless of the cost to others.

Too bad not as much clamor is made over personal responsibility.

LETTERS

Farr Case Discussed

Editor,

I must take exception with the part of your editorial (A Distressing Time for Bill Farr) concerning reporter Farr which reads, "Star also feels that regardless of how many crimes have been committed, a newspaper's sources are as sacred as a priest's obligation to keep secret what he hears in the confessional . . ."

In my opinion, there is no comparison. Clergymen don't earn a living writing stories for metropolitan newspapers. Can you state the times that priests have had confessions printed in the newspapers? Farr did this in opposition to Judge Older. He mentioned defense lawyers. Why can't he be specific?

How many thousands of young students read our school newspaper? I don't think it is good for people to read that crimes committed are not more demanding than newspaper's sources.

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Bells a Mystery

Editor,

No one seems to know why those annoying bells are heard 10 minutes before the hour. Some say their purpose is to alert absent-minded professors to the fact that the class is over.

As I have not had one instructor who could not tell time proficiently, I doubt this is the case. Others say they are for urging recalcitrant students on to their next class. This may be useful under conditions of compulsory education, but I am not aware of a single instance of enrollment by coercion.

Ultimately, I cannot accept these explanations as correct because 40 percent of the time, Tuesday and Thursday, the bells have no relationship to class scheduling. The mystery of the bells still remains.

Mark Mason

VALLEY FORGE

Learning Experience Overshadows Awards

Awards are nice to receive. They nourish the ego and sometimes serve to inspire those that follow in our footsteps to do a little better than we did.

The Star has accumulated quite a number of awards over the years and the most recent California Newspaper Publishers Association plaque necessitated rearranging the display area in the newsroom. There wasn't enough room on the wall for another plaque.

Being "first" is nice, but it leads to looking over your shoulder to see who is closing in on you.

"I'm going to win that award next year," said a counterpart of mine as we entered a press conference with Lt. Gov. Ed Reinecke. She went on to say that she was tired of Star winning all the awards, but then added that their newsroom had their share also.

The only fault with awards is that they may get in the way of the learning experience. That is, after all, what college is all about. The Star staff is learning how to put out a newspaper by negotiating problems as they arise.

We make mistakes, but hopefully we learn from them. If we try to put

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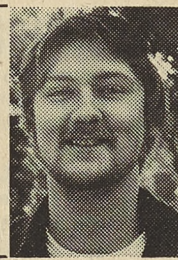
out a paper that would win an award we would in essence be putting out a paper that just looked good and would have sacrificed the learning process.

The awards can guide us by providing a basis for comparison, but they shouldn't be the means to an end. If we win a Pacemaker this spring, but the level of writing doesn't improve from first issue to last, then the award is shallow and reflects nothing.

Another mistake is letting the ego get in the way of logic, and using the power we have to carry out personal vendettas. Star is no different than any other student staffed organization on campus. It is merely a realistic laboratory workshop for putting to practice what we learn in the classroom.

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Many reputable groups such as the American Public Health Association and the American Academy of Pediatrics have asked for the removal of criminal penalties for users of marijuana.

Also, the American Medical Association, which has opposed this action for a long time, has released a study that rejects the contention that marijuana leads to hard narcotic addiction.

In addition, two committees of the American Bar Association recommended that marijuana be legalized. They stated in their findings that "there is simply no basis for employing the criminal sanction, with threat of imprisonment, against those who, at the very worst are only harming themselves."

After considering these recommendations along with many others, it is unfortunate that many American people still oppose the legalization and use of marijuana on what seems to be the basis of "the boogie-man will getcha' if ya' don't watch out."

In reality, at this time, there is no scientifically accepted report claiming long-term physical or mental damage, or deterioration in marijuana users. The latest surveys are constantly hindered by constricting laws governing the use of marijuana.

At most, marijuana is a mild psychedelic intoxicant which produces, with experienced users, far less loss of control than liquor. In fact, many of the serious problems linked with the smoking of marijuana are actually the fault of the user mixing alcohol with his toke. The predominant effects of marijuana are relaxation of tension, a euphoric feeling, and a reduction of inhibitions. The basic personality structure doesn't change and a user wouldn't do anything while

under the influence of marijuana that he wouldn't do otherwise.

Until the 1920's marijuana was virtually unknown in the U.S. The first users in America were underprivileged, and in most cases, disreputable groups.

This accidental bad association between the cannabins and its user sparked a dislike for marijuana which was difficult to shake.

The use of marijuana was first outlawed in the 1930's in most states. This was done during a general prohibition atmosphere. A federal court in 1937 outlawed marijuana soon after a massive scare campaign came out of New York. This campaign was headed by an organization of leading prohibitionists. Marijuana usage retained the image of this much sensationalized campaign until the average white middle class began to realize that the laws created in reaction to marijuana use are actually over-reactions to "scare tactics."

In recent years more people in the U.S. have been asking where they could obtain valid information on marijuana usage. The answer, for the most part, has been supplied by only two obvious sources: police and users.

These sources of information cannot be trusted totally for two reasons. The first is that users will generally relate all the positive aspects of using pot, but ignore the drawbacks. Conversely police see only detrimental things related to grass and none of the positive.

Few ever see the everyday usage of pot by the everyday citizen who may be a lawyer, engineer, or file clerk.

Because of a variety of laws governing use of marijuana only one objective, scientific, study of its effects on the user has ever been conducted in the U.S. The study, called the "La Guardia Report" was made in 1944.

The study was conducted with 77 convict volunteers under strict, objective, clinical observation. A comparison of test results between 48 who had used marijuana previously and 29 who had not, showed no long-lasting psychological effects. Likewise no differences were found between long-term users and non-users in physiological functioning, and a thorough examination failed to reveal any signs of organic damage.

The use or non-use of marijuana should be a matter of individual choice. The legalization of marijuana would not mean all control would be lifted from its use. On the contrary, legalization would make for more effective control and also open the door for accurate studies which would remove the stigma of marijuana use once and for all.

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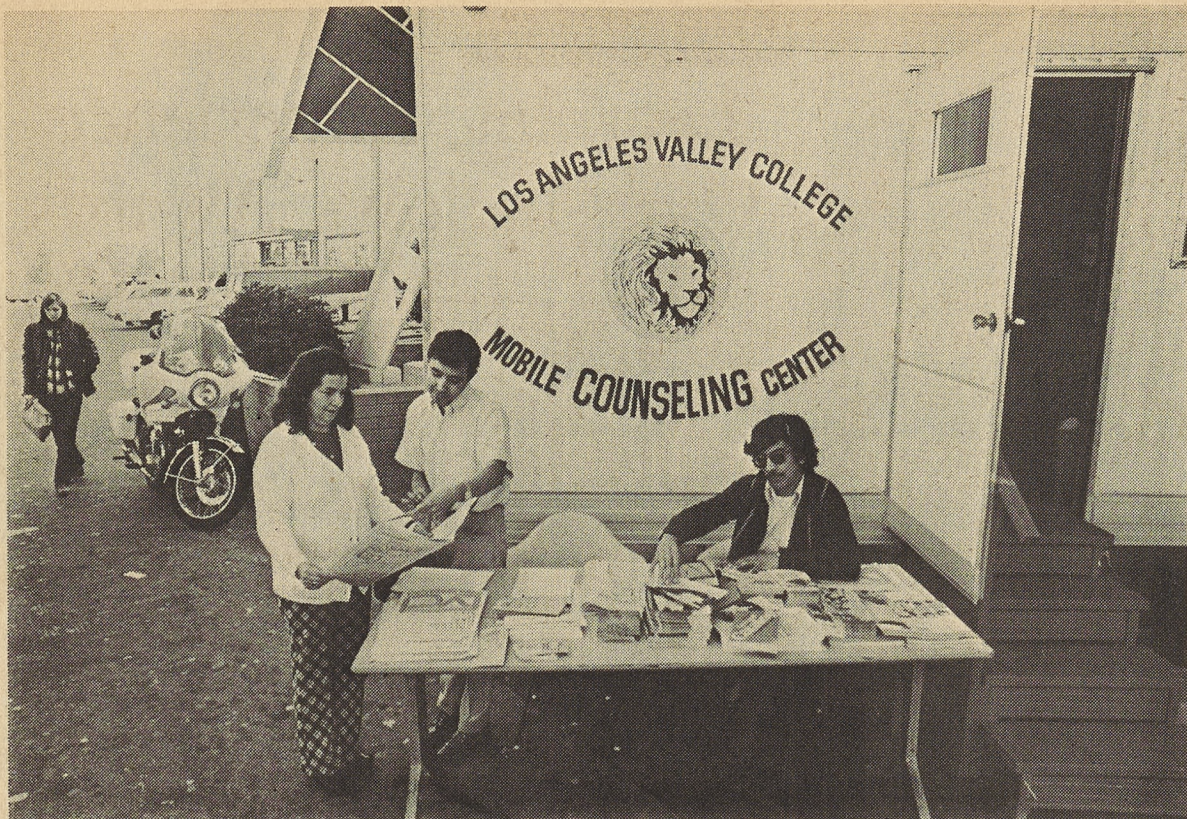
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PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS APPROACH Valley's mobile counseling center at the White Front Store in Pacoima. Gonsalo Curiel, student advisor, explains class schedule to an interested lady. Edber L. Fonnegra, former student advisor, glances through available literature. The center was devised to serve the disadvantaged areas of our community.

Valley Star Photo by Peter Brandt

A.S. Ponders Parking Gates

By KAREN SUMP
Staff Writer

A new leasing agreement is being proposed to solve the parking problem through the installation of parking gates on the lots of all eight community colleges, according to David Churchill, commissioner of campus improvements.

"The old lease written one year ago is not adequate to cover the problems of parking," said Churchill.

To alleviate the present parking

situation, the Associated Student Council's Parking Committee, headed by Alex Hampton, A.S. vice-president, and Churchill, and the administration's parking committee, led by William Lewis, dean of students, are coordinating efforts to work out a feasible agreement, and will submit their proposal at the district meeting on March 8.

Legal counsel is also being consulted to ensure the leasing agreement coincides with Los Angeles

Police Department laws.

Parking gates would serve a three-fold purpose: 1. To eliminate non-paid ID parking; 2. To eliminate non-college student parking; 3. To aid the free flow of traffic.

The gates operate with a magnetic card given to the student, along with the parking decal at payment of student parking fee.

"The parking situation is bad," said Hampton. "There is a crying need for a more efficient and fair parking system."

"We don't have a sufficient amount of parking space for 20,000 students," commented Churchill. "So, in the best interest of the student body and community, parking gates are vitally necessary for each functioning community college."

Chancellor's Office Names Director of Public Affairs

The chancellor's office of the California Community Colleges has announced the appointment of Allan L. Petersen as director of legislative and public affairs.

Petersen, who assumed his new position last Monday, has spent the past four years as a specialist for facilities planning and utilization in the chancellor's office.

"Mr. Petersen assumes this responsibility with an excellent background," said Chancellor Sidney W. Brossman. "He will add a great deal to the capabilities of our staff, and we'll be delighted to have him in this post."

The 42-year-old Petersen is a native of Salt Lake City who received his bachelor's and master's degrees in business at the University of Utah.

He has worked as an assistant to the superintendent/president at Hartnell College in Salinas. His other past positions include dean of occupational and continuing education, associate dean of instruction, and an instructor at Cochise College in Douglas, AZ.

Petersen has also served as supervisor of business and distributive education for the Utah State Department of Public Instruction.

Brossman explained that Petersen's position includes work in governmental relations, including legislation, and in public services, including relationships with professional organizations and college public information officials.

Petersen is replacing Vince Bradley, who will become director of community education at Monterey Peninsula College.

Valley Debater Breaks Record, Nabs Top Spot

By JUDY KAPLAN
Staff Writer

Valley debater Lynda Wallerstein took first place in overall excellence after competing in four different events and placing first in each at the Cerritos Oral Interpretation Festival last weekend.

"She is the only one in the 15 years of the Cerritos festival ever to get straight first-place superiors in all four events," said Coach Jack Sterk. "The second place winner was far behind her."

The rest of the debate team participated in the California State University at Northridge Tournament held last Friday and Saturday.

At Northridge, the debate team of Steve Bloom and Mitch Guthman placed first after beating Pasadena City College on a 3-0 decision.

The team of Barbara McDowell and Yetta Tobias took third place after losing to Pasadena in the semi-finals.

Valley placed second in overall sweepstakes points behind UCLA.

The team will next participate in the Riverside City College statewide tournament. The speech and debate team will be entered in this tournament.

'Outreach' Begins Innovative Service; Mobile Unit Brings Data to Community

By DON CALTON
Staff Writer

Valley College has stretched its Outreach Program by putting a mobile counseling unit in various parts of the community.

Dr. John L. Reiter, dean of admissions and guidance, said, "The primary mission of the mobile counseling center, is to serve the disadvantaged areas of our community. In so doing,

however, it will serve all segments of our population by providing information and assistance to high school students, veterans and their dependents, senior citizens, the industrial and business centers, and any part of our population that can be served."

Last summer, the trailer was obtained, painted, and had steps built. According to Reiter, the funds for this program were made possible by

the Vocational Education Act.

Valley counselor Ramiro Rosillo is the mobile center manager. He is assisted by about 30 student advisers. They do everything from counseling to accepting applications for admission.

The student advisers come primarily from the Latin American Student Organization (LASO), MECHA, and the Black Student Union. LASO

was organized last semester and have already raised funds for six scholarships through dances and club day.

Misconceptions About College

"You would be surprised by the amount of people under the misconception that college is expensive, or that they need a high school diploma to receive vocational training," stated Rosillo, who has been working with minorities for three years.

The mobile unit goes throughout the San Fernando Valley shopping centers, high school, and business centers. The unit stays at each place for two or three days.

"People's interest are sparked when they see our trailer, but a lot of them think we are selling something," Rosillo said.

Practical Training

Robert Cherry, a 30-year-old family man, seemed very interested in the possibilities for him to receive training in blueprint reading. He is a machinist trainee and felt it would be very advantageous when it came time for a promotion. When asked what he thought of the unit, he said, "I think it's great. I've never seen anything like it."

Last weekend the unit was at the White Front Store in Pacoima. Other confirmed dates are set for the Santa Rosa Church in San Fernando and San Fernando High School.

Students Offer Free Assistance Filling Out Income Tax Forms

By WARREN MILLMAN
Staff Writer

Receipt gathering time is upon us again, this year, and to help students and low income families prepare their income tax returns, Income Tax Assistance (ITA) will be on campus Monday, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., now until April 15 in B5.

New to Valley College this year, the program, which consists of students preparing returns, was started four years ago by an Internal Revenue agent, Gary Iskowitz, at California State University, Northridge.

There is no charge to the families and students utilizing the service, and the program is carried out on a voluntary basis.

Saunders Heads Course

The course is headed by Sam Saunders, a full-time internal revenue agent. Its official name is Business 85, and it consists of 12 hours of classroom work and approximately 30 hours of actual preparation of community tax returns.

According to Saunders, there are many advantages to the student taking the course. Some are "tangible" and others are "intangible."

The tangible advantages are two units of transferable credit to CSUN

and work experience preparing returns.

Among the intangible advantages are work experience which can become part of a resume and the satisfaction of contributing something of value to the community.

Community Advantages

The advantages to the low income community are even greater than to the student enrolled in the program, Saunders pointed out. The average savings to the family or student ranges from \$5 to \$50, and there is the knowledge that the return is being prepared by trained students supervised by volunteer IRS agents. Probably the greatest advantage to

the low income family is knowing they will not be "ripped off" by unscrupulous tax preparers, according to Saunders.

Enrollment Increase

"We have only one bilingual student in the program at Valley," Saunders explained.

Since the program's inception, the growth in the rate of enrollment has increased five times.

Last year, "approximately 8,000 people" were served by VITA, and this year Saunders is hoping to come close to 15,000.

The new class begins Feb. 20. For information concerning enrollment, call 885-3166.



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The Great Rematch: Monarchs Do It Again Over Pierce, 85-78

By KENT WHITESEL
Sports Editor

Rick Garcia and Mike Holman crashed the boards to almost single-handedly rebound the entire Pierce basketball team Tuesday night as the Monarchs buried the Brahmas 85-78 to claim back to back victories against Pierce.

Garcia and Holman pulled down 14 caroms apiece to pace the Monarchs

to a 55-36 rebound advantage. It was the first time a Monarch team outrebounded a Metropolitan Conference team in two years.

Doug Anderson supplied the second half scoring punch that enabled the Monarchs to pull away from the Brahmas after trailing by three, 32-35 at the half.

Anderson popped in 12 second-half points, going five for nine from the

field. In one Valley spurt, Anderson scored six straight points.

Pierce guard Jon Chance scored 29 points to break his own single game scoring mark in the Valley-Pierce rivalry.

The turning point came with 12:57 on the clock. Dan Goosen picked up his fourth personal and received a technical when he expressed dissatisfaction with the official over the call.

Valley then streaked to six points to move to a 61-48 lead behind the scoring of Holman and Anderson.

Chance, working with Sherman Stakely, came alive and slowly shaved Valley's lead to four with 1:09 remaining.

Pierce, having to get the ball back, started fouling intentionally and sent sharp shooter Alan Green to the foul line.

The former All-City performer from Poly converted on seven of 12 charity tosses for the night and hit the clutch 1-plus-1 to ice the game.

"Holman and Garcia came alive on the boards for us. Rick boarded real well, and Mike grabbed some real clutch rebounds," said Monarch Head Coach Gaston Green after the game.

"We showed a lot of patience on offense. A lack of patience has been our main problem all year," said Green.

The Monarchs travel to Bakersfield tomorrow night to conclude the 1974 cage season.

Pierce (78)	G	F	T	Valley (85)	G	F	T
Olsen	1	0	2	Anderson	5	2	12
Goosen	4	4	12	Davis	3	0	6
Stakely	2	3	7	Garcia	12	4	28
Chance	14	1	29	Green	5	7	17
Chappell	6	2	14	Holman	4	4	12
McNulty	0	2	2	Kroft	0	0	0
Phillippi	4	0	8	Edwards	0	2	2
Altieri	2	0	4	Small	2	0	4
				Brown	2	0	4
Totals	33	12	78	Totals	33	19	85

Halftime Score: Pierce 35, Valley 32

Valley 82, Pasadena 100

Pasadena City College rolled over the host Monarchs last Friday behind the 31-point performance of leading Metropolitan Conference scorer Greg Griffin.

The Lancers put up 97 shots, clicking on 49, and pounded the offensive backboards against the shorter Monarchs.

Rori Davis, Mike Holman, and Rick Garcia carried the scoring burden for Valley.



IS HE, OR ISN'T HE?—Safe, that is. Monarch centerfielder Mitch Harmatz slides groggy-eyed into third base last Saturday afternoon during 15-7 win over Harbor College. Harmatz, who collected four

hits and was voted the team's "Most Valuable Player" of the game, will be in action this afternoon when Valley travels to play in the Ventura College Tournament. Oh yes, by the way, he was safe.

Valley Star Photos by Ken Hively

Freshman Just Keeps Getting Better

Will No-hitter Be Next for Castillo?

By ED KASPER
Sports Editor

As the old saying goes, "Fine wine always improves with age."

Undoubtedly, that expression was meant to include Monarch pitcher Robert Castillo.

The sturdy little 5-9, 175 pound star has been a smashing success on this year's Monarch baseball team, and more than likely, the best is still yet to come.

The 17-year-old freshman hurler threw a two-hitter over Rio Hondo in his green and gold debut two weeks ago, and last Friday afternoon he

came right back and fired a one-hitter over Cypress College in only his second starting assignment of the season.

And he'll more than likely get the starting nod from head coach Ed Bush this afternoon when the Monarchs open play in the Ventura College Baseball Tournament against Santa Barbara City College. The Monarchs will spend three days (today, tomorrow and Saturday) on the road, splitting their playing time between Santa Barbara and Ventura. They're scheduled to play a double-header tomorrow, playing the Cal

Poly San Luis Obispo Junior Varsity at 10 a.m. and taking on Skyline College at 2 p.m.

The Monarchs looked to be at their best during their three-game home-stand last week, grinding Glendale, 15-8, clipping Cypress, 4-1, and hammering Harbor, 15-7, but Bush voiced some displeasure with his team's play.

"Our pitching did not do the job," said a puzzled Bush. "When your team stakes you to a 10-run lead, and then you give up seven runs, what would you do? What I'm still looking for is a good two or three man pitching rotation."

Bush's reference was to Saturday's contest with Harbor, in which the Monarchs were owners of a 10-0 lead after only three innings, then almost blew it by surrendering seven runs to the visitors.

Here are summaries of last week's games:

Valley 15, Harbor 7

Starter Eddie Plevack got all the support he needed in picking up his first victory of the season, not only from his teammates, but from the opposition as well. The Monarchs pounded out 14 hits for the afternoon, three each by Ralph Griffin and Ross Parker, and were aided by the visiting Vaqueros who committed nine errors.

Valley 4, Cypress 1

There were no banners to the effect, but Friday was definitely "Rob-

ert Castillo Day." The flashy right-handed ace threw one-hit ball and fanned 10 batters in gaining his second victory of the season.

He aided his own cause by belting a leadoff homer in the eighth inning some 350 feet over the left field fence.

Valley 15, Harbor 7

As Bush said, the Monarchs staked starting pitcher Dan Smith to a 10-0 lead after three innings, then surrendered seven runs in the next four frames. The Monarchs used three relievers in "saving" Smith's first victory of the season, while oddly enough, Harbor starting pitcher Bruce Elwood went the distance, giving up 15 hits and striking out nine in a losing cause.

Harbor (7)	ABRH	Valley (15)	ABRH
Ferguson, 1b	5	1	1
Gonzales, ss	4	1	1
Widner, 2b	3	0	0
Ware, 2b	2	0	0
Sambrano, cf	5	1	1
Coursey, c	4	2	3
Gina, lf	3	1	0
Hines, ph	0	0	0
Williams, rf	3	1	2
Villalobos, dh	4	0	2
Schraft, 3b	3	0	0
Elwood, p	0	0	0
Totals	36	7	10

Score by Inning	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Totals
Harbor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Valley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3B—Williams, Villalobos, 2B—Harmatz, 2, Coursey, 2, Castillo, Perez, Sambrano.										
IP	H	SO	BB							
Elwood, (L)	8	15	9	1						
Smith, (W, 1-0)	5	7	6	0						
Broomie	1	0	2	0						
Dorsey	1	2	2	0						
Lorenz	2	1	4	3						

Shields KO's Sanchez in 4th; Training for Big Forum Bout

Junior welterweight Randy Shields made his second professional boxing victory an easy one last Thursday night in Portland, Ore., as he delivered a fourth round knockout blow to veteran Tony Sanchez.

The former National Amateur Champion was greeted warmly throughout his four-day stay by both the media and well-wishers. Shields received a rousing reception from the crowd when he stepped into the ring, only this time as a professional. He has fought there on numerous occasions on amateur cards.

But the slugging 18-year-old freshman has already turned his attention to his next appearance in the ring, a six-round bout with Armando Cordova at the Forum on March 4.

He is presently in San Diego training at the camp of the popular "Irish" Art Hafe, who will meet Mexico City's Ruben Olivares in the 12-round main event on the Forum card.

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Monarch Thinclads Running in Relays

By KENT WHITESEL
Sports Editor

Coaches Nick Giovinnazzo and George Ker's track team will take another hurdle in stride tomorrow night as they travel to Pierce for the Metro Relays.

The Monarchs are favored to win the traditionally tough Metropolitan Conference, and tomorrow's spike-feast should be a good measuring stick.

Pierce, Long Beach, and Bakersfield are coming off impressive wins in pre-season dual meet competition. Long Beach appears to be Valley's strongest rival.

Running events have constituted the major strength for the Monarchs in the early goings. Sprinters Charles Nash and Jeff Leeds are top candidates for Metro Relay victories.

Distance men Jerry Alexander, Joel Scott, Cliff Morden, and Steve Acuff rank one-two in the mile and two-mile.

Richard West has a good shot in the 880 as has the 440 and mile relay teams.

Joe Trujillo, Where Are You? The missing link for a state championship in track for the Monarchs is still missing.

A high jumper and high hurdler is

hiding (hopefully) around campus. It has been rumored that Giovinnazzo "will stand on his head till his ears are turning red" to get some new leavin' blood.

Anyone, or anybody that wants to get his feet wet in these events can fill the void by contacting Giovinnazzo. Go see Nick!

Valley 75, East L.A. 61

Powerful sprints and distance runners pushed the Monarchs to an easy 75-61 track and field win over East Los Angeles College last Friday.

Track Results of East LA Meet

100—Nash (V) 9.9, Groves (V) 10.2, Weatherley (ELA) 10.2.
200—Leeds (V) 22.3, Nash (V) 22.4, Groves (V) 22.6.
440—Leeds (V) 51.7, Hudson (V) 53.0, Sarmiento (ELA) 52.3.
880—West (V) 2:00.0, Alexander (V) 2:00.8, Clemmer (V) 2:01.0.
MILE—Alexander (V) 4:17.5, Scott (V) 4:17.6, Adams (V) 4:33.8.
TWO MILE—Morden (V) 9:19.0, Acuff (V) 9:20.4, Vistrelli (V) 10:05.7.
1200 HIGHS—Davis (ELA) 15.5, Lemon (ELA) 16.5, Richards (V).
440 INT.—Bauchereau (ELA) 56.7, Davis (ELA) 59.1, Sherman (V) 1:08.1.
SHOT PUT—Parsons (ELA) 46-4, Arnold (V) 46-3, Tweddell (V) 43-2.
DISCUS—Tweddell (V) 133-9, Arnold (V) 119-10, Parsons (ELA) 114-10.
POLE VAULT—Rios (ELA) 13-6, Smith (ELA) 12-8, Houston (V) 12-0.
HIGH JUMP—Mura (ELA) 5-8, Labato (ELA) 5-6, Jackson (V) 5-6.
LONG JUMP—Miyahama (ELA) 22-3, Tiger (ELA) 20-11, Wedding (V) 20-0.
TRIPLE JUMP—Miyahama (ELA) 43-11, Tiber (ELA) 41-4, Wedding (V) 40-5.
440 RELAY—Valley 42.7.
MILE RELAY—East LA, no time.

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ROB CURTIS, PRODUCER of "Creation 1," cues up tape of excerpts from the movie "Lost Horizon," starring Ronald Coleman, Jane Wyman, and Sam Jaffe. Curtis hopes to involve as much of the college as possible, as actors or musicians, in future weekly broadcasts.

Valley Star Photo by Ken Hively

KUFO Broadcasts Original 'Creations'

By MICHAEL A. PALLADINO
Fine Arts Editor

"Creation 1," a weekly KUFO radio program offering vintage drama, comedy, and spotlighting student talent, premiered Tuesday with "Lost Horizon," starring Ronald Coleman. Rob Curtis, broadcasting major, produces "Creation 1" for Valley College's radio station. The show airs every Tuesday from 11 a.m. until noon.

"We are hoping that this program will work out," Curtis said. "There's only so much we can do, considering we only broadcast into the cafeteria area."

"We don't have a large audience, but if we get a good response, like 'Wow, we really like it,' we will keep the show going."

For student talent, Curtis hopes to enlist the aid of the Theater Arts Department. "We are trying to work up old radio scripts," he said, "or we

might try writing our own.

"We would also be glad to accept scripts from any Valley College student. Hopefully 'Creation' will involve total college participation."

This coming Tuesday on "Creation," a student country-western type band, including former members of the Spring Hill Mining Disaster, will be presented.

"Any student interested in submitting a radio script," Curtis said, "or anyone with a tape recording of their musical group, should come by KUFO in Humanities 112 tomorrow between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m."

KUFO recently changed their name

from the traditional KLAIV in order to eliminate confusion that might result if the station were to receive an FM license. An FM radio station in Las Vegas already uses KLAIV.

The station has attempted to get an FM license several times, but has always been refused. William Nelson, assistant professor of speech and KUFO sponsor, hopes there will be another chance at a license soon.

An alternative to FM broadcasting would be a "carrier current." Under this method, according to Curtis, students in the immediate vicinity of the college would be able to receive the transmission on their AM receivers.

Dylan Pleases With Forgettable Experience, Completes Six-Week Cross-Country Jaunt

By MARK JACOBS
Staff Writer

Last Thursday night, Bob Dylan, completing the final concert of his six-week cross-country jaunt, left his easily pleased and very lax audience in a state of exhilaration after a rather perfunctory and uneventful evening.

There were several factors which made the concert not come up to expectations. A combination of the Forum's barn-like atmosphere, technical skill without emotional output, sameness in arrangements, and an overwhelming reworking of many songs, almost beyond recognition made Dylan's final show a forgettable experience.

'Hype' Follows Tour

With all the "hype" that has followed the tour, everybody in the audience knew what songs would be coming up at certain points, and the huge response to the line "Even the President of the United States must stand naked" from "It's Alright Ma" came across as a planned event.

After opening with "You Go Your Way, I'll Go Mine," Dylan went into an uninspired version of "Lay Lady Lay," followed by a superb version of "Just Like Tom Thumb's Blues."

Many songs could not be recognized. "Highway 61" was undistinguishable from its original incarnation. "Rainy Day Women 12 & 35" became a Chuck Berry riff, and "Hollis Brown" was completely inaudible.

Band Nearly Overshadows

Dylan tended to be overshadowed by the Band. They performed excellently by themselves and added such beautiful moments to some of Dylan's



BOB DYLAN AND THE BAND ended a six-week record crowds at all stops. This was his first national concert tour last Friday in the Forum. Dylan drew a full house.

Valley Star Photo by Peter Brandt

highpoints that they almost stole the show. The Band was a perfect complement to Dylan's "Mr. Tamborine Man" and the vital force behind "Maggie's Farm."

The Dylan aura did come through,



AT THE WEDNESDAY afternoon performance, Bob Dylan encircled with an extended version of his "Just Like a Rolling Stone."

Valley Star Photo by Jim Morris

though. Despite lackluster performances of "Forever Young," "Knockin' on Heaven's Door," and the forced emotionalism of "Like a Rolling Stone," the audience loved every minute.

Dylan now seems very aware of the audience's worship. He comes on stage in bounding leaps, bowing and curtsying. On numbers such as "Ballad of a Thin Man," he played piano in a flamboyant Elton John manner. He definitely was not the shy recluse he was reported to be.

Acoustic Set Highlight

Dylan's solo acoustic set was his highlight of the evening. It was a break from the sameness that most of the other numbers carried with them. "Just Like a Woman" and "Gates of Eden" came off best because Dylan didn't try to overdramatize them.

However, it was the Band's solo moments that were the most enjoyable of the evening. "Stage Fright" and "The Shape I'm In" were exceptional, as were most of the Band's numbers. Their solos were superb, brief, and to the point, and there was no overextension of songs. The Band made their third of the show the best of the entire night.

By the time Dylan did his last number, "Blowin' in the Wind," the entire audience had become involved in this nostalgic spectacle, to the point where 19,000 people were singing the chorus of the song.

Third Italian Film Festival Spotlights Everyday People

By MICHAEL A. PALLADINO
Fine Arts Editor

Five Italian films, each portraying the common, everyday man's hopes and aspirations, will begin this evening with "The Bicycle Thief."

These films comprise the Third Italian Film Festival. The movies, all in their original language with English subtitles, will be shown in Monarch Hall throughout the semester at 8 p.m.

Gennaro Abondolo, assistant professor of Italian, began the film series "with the idea of bringing new movie experiences to the college and the community. Also, any money raised above costs will go into a scholarship fund."

Neo-Classical Cinema

The films are from the neo-classical era of cinema in Europe. "Following World War II," Abondolo said, "Italy founded a whole new mode for expression in the movies, a film Renaissance. Journalists turned to cinematography, went into the streets, and shot what they saw."

"The 15 to 20 years following the war," he said, "Hollywood was going to Italy. Directors, such as Federico Fellini and Vittorio DeSica, did not work from extensively planned scripts. Instead, they worked spon-

taneously, letting the movie unfold as naturally as possible."

"The Bicycle Thief," filmed in 1949 and directed by DeSica, probes the human dramas evolving in a city, such as Rome, trying to rise from the catastrophes of World War II.

"A true classic," said Abondolo, "Bicycle Thief" is DeSica's best film. It has won numerous international awards and honors."

Raining So Hard

Appearing on March 21, "The Big Deal on Madonna Street" will be shown for the second time at Valley. "When he showed the movie last semester, on a Wednesday, it was raining so hard that the attendance must have been affected. But, even then, the audience was there. This is probably one of the funniest movies ever made."

In "Two Cents Worth of Hope," two men try to strike it rich selling lottery tickets.

"The situation is pathetic," Abondolo said, "combining comedy with irony."

Senseless Act

"The Overcoat," scheduled for April 25, is an allegory.

"In the movie," said Abondolo, "the man's overcoat represents everything that he ever wanted, possessed, or longed for. The story is fine delicate pathos, as we see his coat taken from him in a senseless act."

"Basically, 'Overcoat' is the story of any individual stranded in an environment that he doesn't understand and that doesn't understand him."

Finally, "The Gold of Naples" will be shown on May 16. As in "Two Cents," "Gold" examines the hope

that keeps people from despair, or, said Abondolo, "The rainbow always present over their daily misery, the drive that keeps a person going when his feet are dragging through the dregs."

'Champion' Returns With Free Concert

By MIKE HUDSON
Asst. Fine Arts Editor

Champion, one of the top unrecorded bands in America, according to the Newport Jazz Festival Committee, will perform their magic to Valley College students today at 11 a.m. in the Free Speech Area.

The Los Angeles-based jazz-rock group is making its second performance at Valley. They first appeared at the last concert of Spring '73, and they were superb.

Containing members that are ex-LAFC students, they have performed together for nearly 11 months. They have played concerts and dances at UCLA, CSU at Long Beach, Pepperdine, California State University at Fullerton, Pasadena City College, and Ventura College, with performers such as Freddie King, Elvin Bishop, and Ballin' Jack.

Although they will only play for an hour, they will undoubtedly prove their musical ability. Playing original material and utilizing a horn section, the group shows great potential.

Today will be an opportunity to see

O'Neill's Play Characterizes Irish Melody

A proud, tempestuous Irishman, a wife who adores him, and a daughter who hates him, characterize "A Touch of the Poet," Eugene O'Neill's four-act play being presented by the Theater Arts Department, Feb. 28 and March 1, 2, 7, 8, and 9 at 8 p.m. in the Horseshoe Theater.

The play is set in an early 19th century village near Boston. Con Melody, an Irishman, owns the tavern, but his long-suffering wife, who loves him, keeps it going, while his spirited daughter, whom he treats as a servant and berates as a slut, hates him.

The play is directed by Bill Barney, and the cast includes David Read, Debbie Barabick, Linda Jean Contreras, Bruce Barton, Ned Gill, Paul Harvey, Patrick Star Kelly, Bill Marone, Eve Marie Mortensen, and David Wall. The understudies are Marilyn Anderson as Nora Melody and Catherine Peacock as Sara Melody.

Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1.50 for students, and free for students with a paid ID.

Saxophone Quartet Performs

The Campus Concert Series debuts today with the Los Angeles Saxophone Quartet in Monarch Hall at 11 a.m.

Classical and contemporary compositions will be included in the 50-minute set: "Art of the Fugue, Contrapunctus II, XIII, V, and IX" by Johann Sebastian Bach; "Grave et Presto" by Jean River; "Prelude and Dance" by Robert Linn, and "Saxophone Quartet" by Robert Kellaway.

Victor Morosco, soprano saxophone; James Rotter, alto saxophone; Roger Greenberg, tenor saxophone, and Larry McGuire, baritone saxophone, comprise the quartet.

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Granny Gets Through at 72; Golfcart Key to AA Degree

By NINA GORDON
Staff Writer

Among the many graduation petitions to be filed tomorrow, one in particular stands out. It belongs to Ruth Glass of Van Nuys.

Mrs. Glass is 72 years old. She is also a great-grandmother. And after eight years here, she is finally going to receive her Associate of Arts Degree in June.

For her, Valley has been more than just a place to gather basic scholastic skills—it's also been a family affair. Mrs. Glass had one of her proudest moments when she attended a history class with her grandson while three generations of Glasses were enrolled together at school.

A proud mother, Mrs. Glass has two children, (Shirley Cohen and Rita Rockman), four grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. "I think it's just marvelous," she commented, "I feel especially blessed since we have such a nice family."

Asked if she ever felt inhibited by her age, Mrs. Glass admits to "wondering whether being with younger people would be difficult for me. At first, I was afraid the students might resent me, but I found them surprisingly friendly and tremendously helpful."

However, she said her age did hamper her slightly when it came to hearing and memorization. Mrs. Glass said the Study Skills Center was of tremendous value to her in overcoming these obstacles.

Full of energy, Mrs. Glass looks much younger than her 72 years. She has a pleasant, wrinkle-free face, that is softly bordered by graying hair.

Mrs. Glass has been married for 56 years. It is her husband's enthusiastic encouragement that she attributes most of her scholastic success. "He really deserves the A.A. degree more than I do. Whenever things got difficult, he just told me to keep at it."

One way her husband showed support was by driving her back and



MRS. RUTH GLASS, 72, ponders her future now that she will have earned an AA degree at the end of this semester. Mrs. Glass gives much of the credit for her success to her husband who encouraged and supported her.

Valley Star Photo by Peter Brandt

forth to school every day. However, upon selling their car last year, Mrs. Glass needed a new means of commuting so she could finish the semester. So, they found a way to beat the energy crisis and solve their problem—they bought a golf cart and briskly drove it to and from the campus.

Among her favorite classes, are Jewish Studies and Speech. Mrs. Glass said she found it a very enriching experience to learn so much about other cultures and countries. "It's special to me because coming from a poor family we had no means to even enjoy going to a show. My education made up for a lot of things I couldn't have, she explained.

The oldest of seven children, Mrs. Glass came to the United States from Russia when she was only four. At 14 she was left an orphan. She married at 16 and assumed the responsibility of raising her brothers and sisters. "I had no time for an education.

Although I always had a sense of responsibility, I wasn't aware of the importance of an education."

Aside from being a homemaker and going to school, Mrs. Glass likes to read, sew, garden and grow her own flowers. She is also actively involved in community service work. During the week, she helps children at the Coldwater Canyon Elementary School to read, from which she derives much gratification. In the rest of her spare time she enjoys "round dancing," (old, colonial style dances), with her husband.

At 72, Mrs. Glass has a real zest for life. With her typical spirit she told of her future plans, "Although I never found it a drawback to be a great-grandmother and a coed at the same time, I'll probably only return to school for two or more subjects. After that, I think I should just relax and have fun!" It is obvious that Mrs. Glass has indeed enjoyed making a family affair out of education.

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Club Editor



HILLEL COUNCIL will plant a "Tree of Life" north of the Music Building today at 11 a.m. in honor of its 12th year on Valley College's campus. Dr. Robert Horton, president of Valley College; Rabbi Henry Rabin of Hillel, and Duke Koltow, head gardener for Valley, will speak at the ceremony to which everyone is invited. HILLEL is also marking its 50th anniversary worldwide, according to Rabbi Moshe Adler, director of the HILLEL COUNCIL.

The VALLEY COLLEGE REPUBLICANS are currently planning many social activities as well as political

activities during this semester. Mark Rosenthal, Valley Republican president, said the club will feature speakers to discuss such wide-ranging topics as the energy shortage, equal rights and opportunities for women, public transportation, and integrity in government officials. The VALLEY COLLEGE REPUBLICANS are also offering educational information on the California primary in June and are encouraging everyone to become involved and to participate in that election. Rosenthal reminds everyone that social activities are being slated throughout the semester.

TAU ALPHA EPSILON, the organization for honor students at Valley College, reminds eligible members that notification of their acceptance will be delayed because of technical difficulties with computers. Any student with a 3.2 grade point average or better last semester or such a GPA from 18½ units or more may join. Qualifying students who wish to join should come to TAE's first meeting of the

semester, scheduled for next Tuesday at 11 a.m. in P100. New members may also join at TAE's booth at Club Day.

The GERMAN CLUB takes great pleasure in announcing that it has been revived and wishes to invite interested new members to join. The GERMAN CLUB will have its first meeting today at 11 a.m. in FL104, where election of officers will be conducted. Then, says the club, is EATING TIME! They will travel to the "Old Heidelberg" for lunch and will finish in time for noon classes, according to the club's present officers. Anyone is welcome to join.

The NEWMAN CLUB, as a community service, reminds Valley College students to save their newspapers in order to deposit them in the Ecology bin on Oxnard Street through the remainder of February. All students are invited to become members and to attend the NEWMAN CLUB's meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11 a.m. in CC202. Further information may be obtained by calling President Ron Smith at 994-9260 or Vice-President Pat Herrick at 761-2384.

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The Occupational Exploration Series will feature two speakers from different occupations Tuesday at 11 a.m.

Sid Conkwright will describe the real estate business, list its requirements, and explain the opportunities in that field. Conkwright, an agent employed by PWC Realtors, will speak at 11 a.m. Tuesday in BSc100. Conkwright has an associate in arts degree from UCLA and is a member of Graduate Realtors Institute.

At the same hour, Ruth P. Laug, will explain the work of a silversmith during her OES lecture in A103. Ms. Laug will show slides of her metalwork and will list educational requirements for a potential silversmith, pointing out possibilities for advancement.

Ms. Laug is presently a free-lance designer and craftswoman and specializes in jewelry.

'Friends of Grass' Hold Confab

The campaign to decriminalize marijuana smoking entered its final week as members and supporters of the Marijuana Reform League (MRL) held fund-raising rally at the Speak Easy last Sunday afternoon in West Hollywood.

The MRL is attempting to obtain the necessary 325,504 signatures by Feb. 25. On that date, the MRL will submit their collected signatures to L.A. County Voter Registration authorities for verification.

A cheering crowd of approximately 200 people gathered to hear State Assemblyman Alan Sieroty call for the decriminalization of marijuana.

"I do not believe that people should go to jail or prison for the use, cultivation, transportation or possession of marijuana for an individual's own

private use," Sieroty told the group.

Dusty Mazur, an MRL spokesman, explained that the key changes in the Decriminalization of Marijuana Act of 1974 are as follows:

"One change is that the cultivation of marijuana for personal use must provide for reasonable steps to be taken which would shield such cultivation from public access," Mazur said.

"Another change is that the governing body of any city or unincorporated area shall have exclusive jurisdiction to prohibit the use of mari-

juana in public and to provide for violations with a potential \$100 fine," Mazur added.

"Respect for the law cannot be achieved by the enforcement and creation of laws designed to prohibit the use of every substance that is abused," Marilyn Walt, a drug counselor at the Rafe Center in Van Nuys, said.

"God made it for me to smoke. As it says in the Bible, 'And God said let there be grass.' So if somebody else can drink, why shouldn't I be able to smoke," Susan Gionet of West Los Angeles explained.

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